

Specification Amendments:

1) On page 1 of the specification, in the space between the title “IMAGE BINARIZATION METHOD” and line 4, please insert the following on two separate lines:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention--;

2) Again on page 1, in the space between lines 11 and 12, please insert:

--2. Description of the Prior Art--;

3) On page 2, in the space between lines 3 and 4, please insert:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--;

4) Again on page 2, in the space between lines 31 and 32, please insert:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--;

5) Finally, on page 2, in the space between lines 36 and 37, please insert:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--;